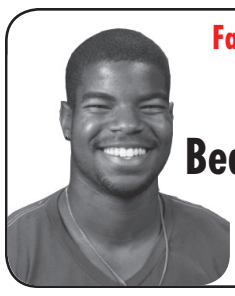

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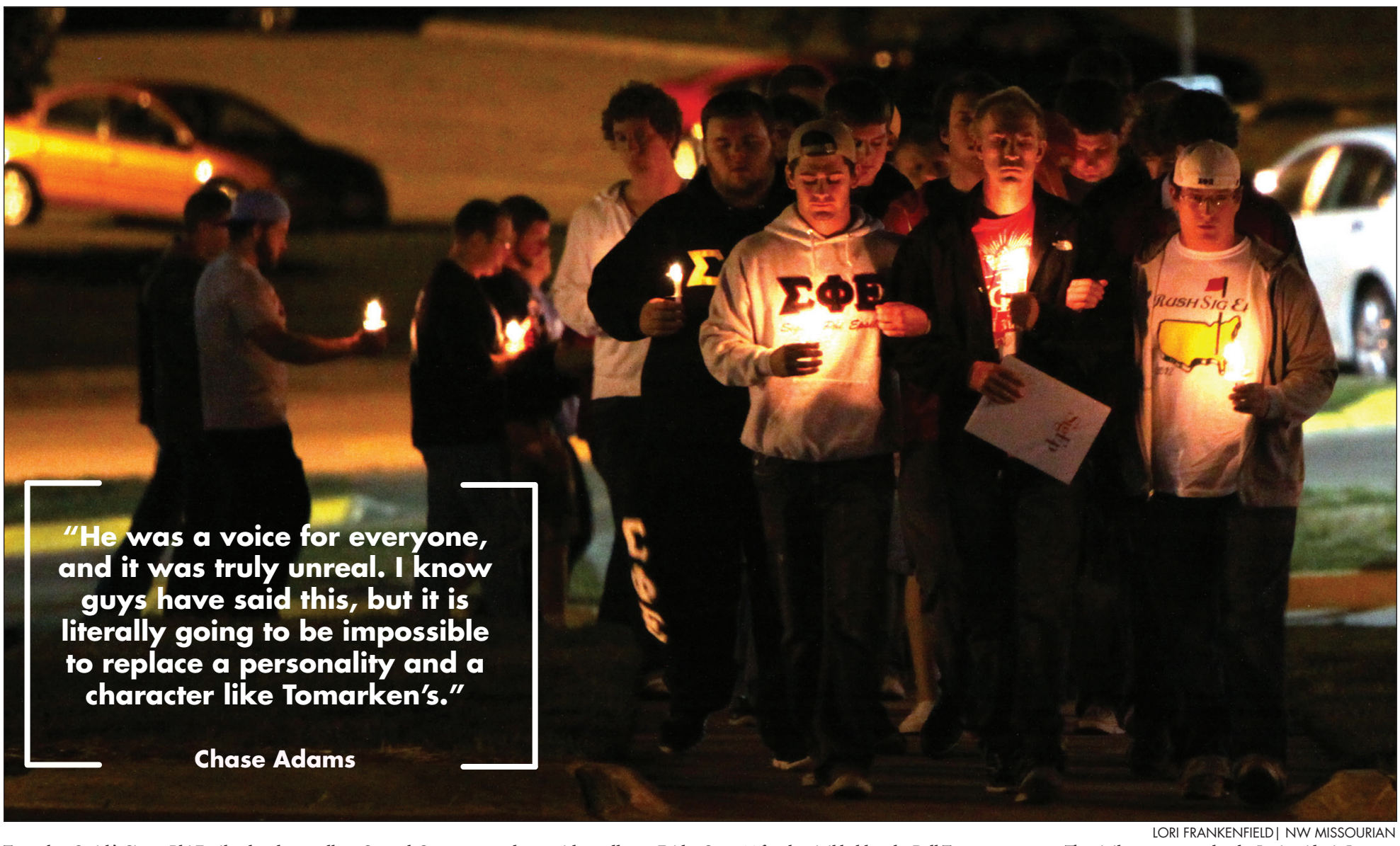


LORI FRANKENFIELD | NW MISSOURIAN

**Tomarken Smith's Sigma Phi Epsilon brothers walk up Seventh Street arm and arm with candles on Friday Sept. 14 for the vigil held at the Bell Tower on campus. The vigil was put together by Junior Alexis Leggett and Senior Mel Peitzmeier in response to Smith's death early Friday morning. Hundreds of students, faculty, staff and community members gathered to pay their respects.**

# Family, friends remember fallen Bearcat

**TREY WILLIAMS**
Editor-in-Chief | @trey3williams

"What's up baby, how you doin' presi?' That's what he called me," Senior Chase Adams said. "What I'd do to hear those words come from his mouth one more time, I can't even explain to you."

Tomarken "T.O." Smith was a presence on the Northwest campus—from Residential Life to fraternity Sigma Phi Epsilon and the Student Recreation Center.

Friday, Sept. 14 Sig Ep lost a brother, students lost a friend and Northwest lost one of its brightest smiles.

"He just always, always, from a baby on up, had that big smile, always," said Lakeshia Smith, Tomarken's sister. "He always showed love and affection. Of course, he wasn't the big guy that you all know; he was a little runt back then."

T.O. was the youngest of six, the baby of the family. He was a 21-year-old college kid from St. Louis, a fan of former football player Terrell Owens and he was a charming man who could love anyone.

"He was the kind of guy, he'd give you his shirt," said his sister, whom he called sissy. "Anybody that was around him, if you were having a bad day, in some kind of way he could make you laugh, make you smile or just tell you it'll be al-

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HANNAH JURGENSEN | NW MISSOURIAN

**Students share memories at the counciling session in the J.W. Jones Student Union Living Room after the death of fellow Bearcat Tomarken Smith on Sept. 14.**

# Murder suspects enter not guilty plea

**BEN LAWSON**
Managing Editor | @blawson2010

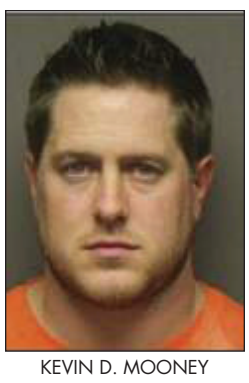
The two suspects in the murder of Tomarken Smith pleaded not guilty at an arraignment hearing in the Nodaway County Courthouse Tuesday.

Tony M. Overlin, 23, and Kevin D. Mooney, 31, are both charged with second degree murder and first degree assault for the killing of Smith Sept. 14. Both men are from Bethany, Mo.

Mooney, who was represented by John Patrick O'Connor at his arraignment hearing, requested a bail reduction but was denied. His next appearance in court is a status hearing Oct. 16.

Overlin was not represented by an attorney at his arraignment and put in a request for a public defender. His preliminary hearing is set for Oct. 16.

TONY M. OVERLIN



KEVIN D. MOONEY

Robert Rice, Nodaway County prosecuting attorney, was not able to share any farther details on the case.

"We are going to do everything possible to uphold the truth and show proof that those two were guilty in the death of Tomarken," Rice said.

The Maryville Public Safety Department is continuing its investigation. The Public Safety

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# Northwest offers grieving students, faculty support

**ALEX RASH**
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Students and faculty coping with the death of senior Tomarken Smith can find some comfort within Bearcat Country.

Faculty has been encouraged to provide time during class to discuss Smith's death if desired. For students seeking a more private outlet, many teachers have made their office hours available for that purpose.

Members of Northwest's faculty met Monday to discuss ways of handling the reaction on campus. Tim Crowley, University Wellness Services director of personal development and counseling services, led a workshop for faculty with tips on how to handle the situation.

"In my opinion, students are going to be an important ingredient in how we move forward in this," Crowley said.

Groups of students already began making moves of healing. A large counseling session was held Sept. 14 as an opportunity for grief sharing, and hundreds came out for a memorial candlelight vigil that evening.

A group of African American students also met with Chief of University Police Clarence Green, President John Jasinski and other University leaders that evening to voice their concerns about Smith's death and being recognized by the community as a race.

"Race is always going to be a factor when you have those incidents, but from witnesses statements, there were no racial state-

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# Organizations offer assistance to Smith family

**JENNA ANTHONY**
Chief Reporter | @JennaAnthony3

Northwest students, faculty and alumni will have multiple opportunities to support Tomarken Smith's family and memory in the coming weeks.

There are several fundraisers that have been set in place to support the Smith family during this time and to help lessen any financial burdens.

"This is obviously a tough situation; we are just wanting to give our support to the family," Mike Wolbert, president of the Sigma Phi Epsilon Missouri Lambda Chapter Alumni Board, said.

Chase Adams, president of Sig Ep Missouri Lambda Chapter, said that the chapter is remaining in contact with all of their alumni and national organization about gathering funds to support Smith's family.

LORI FRANKENFIELD | NW MISSOURIAN

**Flowers are set out on the corner of Fourth and Market streets in memory of Tomarken Smith on Sept. 14.**

The Tomarken Smith Memorial Fund has been established at the Citizens Bank and Trust. All

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KAYLA MEPPELINK | NW MISSOURIAN

**KXCV host John Coffey talks Bearcat football with head coach Adam Dorrel Thursday at Carson's Sports Bar and Grille.**

# Bearcat coaches go live on air with KXCV

**ASHLEY THORPE**
Chief Reporter | @ashleythorpe

A new show on the Bearcat Radio Network gives Bearcat fans the opportunity to talk directly to coaches and student athletes.

KXCV, the award-winning National Public Radio affiliate based on the Northwest campus, presents the new "Bearcat Coaches Show." The hour-long show is held at 6 p.m. every Thursday. The show will feature that season's sports coaches. Each week during the football season, coach Adam Dorrel will be interviewed. During basketball season both men and women's coaches and another spring sports coaches will be interviewed.

The show will also feature a segment called "Meet Your Bearcat Student Athlete." This segment will put a voice to the name of a Bearcat student athlete. Fans will learn a little more about the athlete: where he is from, his major, clubs and organizations he is involved in, as well as a hobby or something fans would be surprised to know about him.

Rodney Harris, general manager of KXCV-KRNW, said for the past two weeks the show has brought big crowds each Thursday evening to Carson's Sports Bar and Grille, and the response has been tremendous.

"Bearcat fans are the best in Division II and have such a passion for Northwest," Harris said. "They really enjoy interacting with the coaches of all our sports, and the student athlete segment has had great reviews. Fans have already expressed their pleasure with learning more about the athletes and personally meeting them."

Now in his 28th year as the "Voice of the Bearcats," John Coffey hosts the "Bearcat Coaches Show" every week. The show can be viewed live at Carson's Sports Bar and Grille, or listened to on KXCV-KRNW 90.5 FM and 88.9 FM. Carson's is the title sponsor of the "Bearcat Coaches Show."

"They love the program and are very serious about helping the community and University in every way possible," Harris said.

# Regents approve new policies, program

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The Northwest Board of Regents enacted two new policies to protect students and a partnership program to bring more opportunities to campus at its Sept. 13 meeting.

The board passed a new policy on student athlete drug testing and counseling, an updated anti-hazing policy and approved an agreement with North Central Missouri College in Trenton to share the cost of an employee who will serve as the director of Northwest's bachelor of science in nursing program.

The newly created position will also serve as a facilitator in North Central's nursing program. North Central's program is offered out of the technical school in Maryville High School. This new program will allow students who complete their coursework at the technical school to enroll in Northwest's bachelor of science in nursing program.

"There is a great need for nursing at North Central and in north Missouri so this was a great complement to our need and their need in Trenton to teach people at the BSN level," Provost Doug Dunham said.

Dunham said there are multiple levels to how the new director position will benefit Northwest. This new position will direct accreditation efforts for the program, which will allow for a more widespread marketing for the degree. He or she will also serve as adviser to all students pursuing the nursing degree. Dunham hopes the increase in marketing and receiving in accreditation will increase the number of students, and in turn, the tuition and fees the University receives.

> "Waiting for a crisis to happen and then trying to manage behind it isn't ideal."
>
> Matt Baker

The board approved an updated anti-hazing policy that broadens a policy that only focused on Greek organizations to one that includes athletics, the Bearcat Marching Band and other campus organizations.

This policy is preventative and not a response to an incident on Northwest's campus, said Matt Baker, vice president of student affairs.

"A task force was brought together by our Campus Activities office to evaluate our hazing policy and make sure it was what it needed to be to protect students and create the living and learning environment we want here at Northwest," Baker said. "It wasn't out of a specific issue, there wasn't an increase in events. It was the right thing to do. You see something happen nationally, and you say, 'hey, maybe we need to do something differently.'"

The national incident Baker refers to is the death of a Florida A&M University student after a hazing incident involving the marching band.

Baker said the University adopted a policy that restates Missouri's law on hazing.

"It (replacing the policy) also raises awareness," Baker said. "When you think about our goal, we don't like being punitive. We don't like finding people responsible and getting people in trouble, but we are trying to educate and raise the awareness to let people know we think about it (hazing)."

"By putting a tension towards anti-hazing, does that change the way some groups or organizations interact with each other?" Baker said. "I don't know. I may never know. We know it's a concern in the country, and there have been problems at other schools. Waiting for a crisis to happen and then trying to manage behind it isn't ideal."

# Upward Bound granted 5 years of funding

**LAUREN MCCOY**
Chief Reporter | @mccoy014

High school students now have the chance to attend summer-learning experiences at Northwest for another five years thanks to continued funding.

This year, the Department of Education approved funding through the year 2017 for the Upward Bound Math and Science program. The program will receive $317,987 for the 2012-2013 academic school year, and around $1.6 million total for the five-year period. UBMS is re-evaluated and funding is determined again every five years.

"I am very excited that the Upward Bound Math and Science has been funded for another five years," director Phil Kenkel said. "This program has positively influenced hundreds of students over the last twenty-plus years to gain a greater enthusiasm for math and science courses and to also pursue a career in math and science fields."

This program is designed to assist underprivileged teens.

"The students who are involved in the program come from first-generation college bound families and learn that pursing and completing a college degree is a viable option for anybody, regardless of circumstance," Kenkel said.

During the six weeks the students are at Northwest, they are given hands-on learning experiences that help them not only prepare for college but provide opportunities in math, science and technology topics that they would not have had otherwise. The students stay in a campus residence hall and receive instruction from both college and high school faculty. They have access to the institution's state-of-the-art facilities and laboratories and will be engaged in a challenging math and science curriculum.

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>
> Phil Kenkel

This program does not cost anything for families and their students, and is funded by the U.S. Department of Education. Eighteen selected high schools in southwest Iowa, southeast Nebraska, northwest Kansas and northwest Missouri are eligible to send students to UBMS.

"All in all, the program provides a great opportunity for deserving students to learn what it takes to be successful in college while gaining a greater understanding of each other and the world they live in," Kenkel said.

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## Weekend Events

### Friday, September 21

American Society of Agronomy Region 5 Soil Judging Contest

Faculty Art Exhibit
Olive DeLuce Fine Arts Building

Mandatory student teachers seminars
J.W. Jones Student Union

National POW/MIA Recognition Day

90th Student Senate Elections

Articulation Therapy & Speech Language
Cameron City Hall

Northwest Tennis at ITA Tournament
8 a.m. at Springfield, Mo.

Java with Jazz

9 a.m. at Valk Agriculture Center

SW Positive Behavior Support Tier 2 Year 1 Coaches Meeting
9 a.m. at Troester Media Center

Information Technology Backup & Maintenance at 5 p.m.

Gamma Alpha Lambda Rush Retreat
5 p.m. at Christian Campus House

Interministry Worship Night
7 p.m. at Wesley Student Center Lawn

Northwest Soccer at Missouri Western
7 p.m. at St. Joseph, Mo.

Student Senate: Dance the Night Away
7 p.m. at Memorial Bell Tower

### Saturday, September 22

C-BASE
8 a.m. at Colden Hall

Jennifer Shaw Suhr Memorial 5K Run/Walk for Asthma
9 a.m. at Raymond J. Courter College Park Pavilion

Old Arts and Skills: Nodaway Country Historical Society
1 p.m. Nodaway County Historical Museum

Northwest Football at Nebraska-Kearney
4 p.m. at Kearney, Neb.

Information Technology Backup & Maintenance at 5 p.m.

Springfield Alumni & Friends Chapter Meeting
5:30 p.m. at Springfield Brewing Company

### Sunday, September 16

Fellowship Meal
5:30 p.m. at Lutheran Campus Center

Mass
7 p.m. at Newman Catholic Center

# Former Spoofhound donates pieces of history to school

**LAUREN MCCOY**
Chief Reporter | @mccoy014

Maryville High School's library now possesses a new piece of history, thanks to the daughter of a Maryville 'Hound from the 1940s.

Laurel Terry, a professor at Penn. State University, donated two scrapbooks as well as several other artifacts that belonged to her father, Robert "Bob" Terry. He began attending Maryville High School in fall 1941. Bob was a member of the football team and extensively documented his experiences.

"It just seemed a shame for them to be at my house and deteriorating over time," Terry said. "I thought they should be preserved somehow."

Terry sent two scrapbooks, her father's football letter, his diploma and a photo album of the football team as well as several smaller papers reflecting her father's time at MHS. They now sit in MHS's library, available for anyone to look through.

The intact scrapbooks detail the 1942 and 1943 football seasons with articles and pictures. They contain yellowed articles from the school newspaper at that time as well as articles from bigger newspapers. The articles are filled with small bits of humor, and the pages are decorated with thoughts and comments from Bob himself.

Terry is one of three daughters, and when her father passed away in December 2011, she was responsible for his belongings. She discovered several artifacts from her father's time in the military in 1946, and this began her journey of contributing parts of history to the public.

"I had all of these papers, and it seemed crazy to just let them disintegrate," Terry said.

She began by contacting the U.S. Army Heritage and Education Center in the small town where she lives, Carlisle, Pa. After donating her father's scrapbook from his Army days, she decided the other scrapbooks should be donated as well.

"This came in totally unsolicited but greatly appreciated," MHS librarian Barry Crossland said. "It really is a flashback to the past."

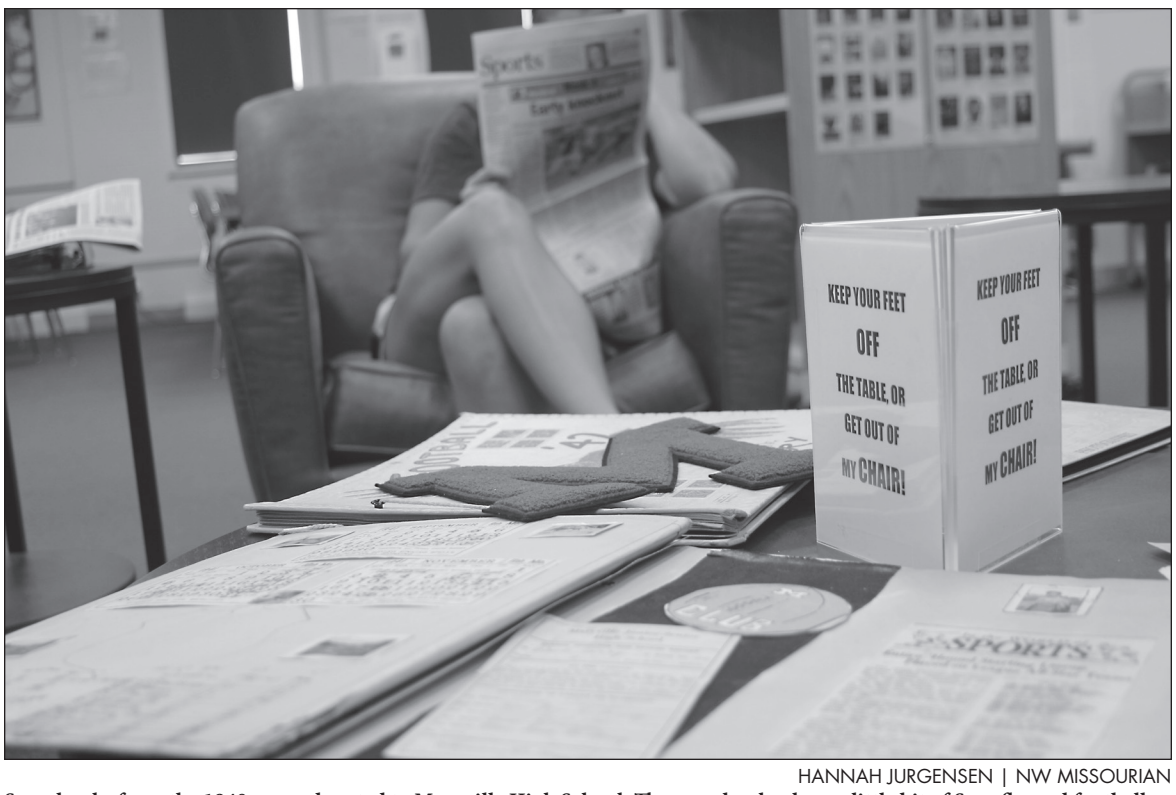
Bob Terry attended MHS until his junior year. He completed his high school education in Bolivar, Mo., and then went on to attend the University of Missouri where he again played football.

Terry said her next project will be to contact MU because her father collected all the football programs from fall 1945. His collection culminates in the Cotton Bowl program.

Terry not only sent the hard copies of the materials but included a CD with digital pictures of the materials. She hired a photographer to record the images for herself and her family. Crossland hopes to put these pictures on the MHS website soon.

Terry says she would like for those who read the scrapbooks to realize how much Bob valued the team experience and camaraderie.

"He was very proud of his time on the football team at Maryville," she said. "He thought he learned a lot of valuable life lessons from the experiences."

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**Scrapbooks from the 1940s were donated to Maryville High School. The scrapbooks show a little bit of Spoofhound football history complete with articles from the school newspaper and photographs.**

# Volunteers apply fresh coat of paint

**JENNA ANTHONY**
Chief Reporter | @JennaAnthony3

Volunteers armed with paint and brushes took on five cabins at Mozingo Lake Sunday.

This fall's Beautifying Residences Using Student Help event focused on perking up the Mozingo Lake cabins with a fresh coat of paint.

"There were five cabins that needed to be stained and also some benches that needed to be painted," Amy Nally, Northwest director of volunteer services, service learning and civic engagement, said.

There were 255 Northwest students signed up for the BRUSH event that started at 9 a.m. and went until 4 p.m.

"We have volunteers coming from the Newman Center, sorority girls here for service hours and also individual volunteers," Nally said. "It is a great opportunity for students to meet new people and take responsibility."

Students were asked to preregister for any times within the 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. time span. Most students signed up to help during the afternoon, according to Nally. Volunteers were offered pizza and a T-shirt in return for their service.

"My friend told me about it, and I thought it would be a good way to get service hours, and it also sounded fun," sophomore Sigma Kappa member Kasey Utrup, said, " It is a great way to let everyone know we are here to help and show that we care."

The BRUSH organization has been assisting the Maryville community since 2004 when Linda Hubbard began the idea to give students the opportunity to help give back to the community.

Originally, BRUSH only catered to low income or elderly citizens who had to send in an application to receive help, but BRUSH has recently branched out to anyone in the Maryville area needing assistance.

"We usually help two to three houses a year. I believe we have done 48 to 50 houses total," Nally said.

All BRUSH projects must be something that students can complete in one day, according to Nally. Painting the cabins will be one of six projects that BRUSH plans to do in conjunction with Mozingo Lake.

"I found out about BRUSH last year… I thought it was a great opportunity to give back to the community that has given me so much," junior Sara Frueh said.

LORI FRANKENFIELD | NW MISSOURIAN

**Freshman Rose Marinaro volunteers her time with other students to paint cabins at Mozingo Lake on Sunday for this year's BRUSH event.**

# Tobacco tax spike could help Missouri education funding

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The Coordinating Board of Higher Education declared its support for the initiative that will increase taxes on cigarettes and other tobacco-related products.

The Nov. 6 ballot will have on it the Missouri Tobacco Tax initiative, known as Proposition B. This item would raise the tobacco tax from 17 cents to 90 cents per pack.

Missouri has the lowest tobacco tax rate in the nation. This hike in taxes would be the first in Missouri in more than 10 years.

"Raising the tax on cigarettes – which is the lowest in the country – fulfills two important goals," CBHE board member Lowell Kruse said. "It will increase funding for education, which is in critically short supply, and it will improve health outcomes for Missourians."

If passed, this initiative could increase funding for higher education by approximately $84 million annually. The CBHE believes this additional funding would provide more affordable high-quality postsecondary education.

The project is projected to earn between $283 million and $423 million annually. It would create the Health and Education Trust Fund; 50 percent would go to public schools and 30 percent to higher education.

However, not all funds would go to education, the other 20 percent would go toward preventative tobacco use efforts.

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Earlier in July nearly $9 million was cut from the $24 billion budget for Missouri's next fiscal year. Gov. Jay Nixon cited reasons such as lack of expected revenue from avenues such as the Missouri State Lottery, and expenses from the deadly Joplin tornados last year as reasons for the budget cuts.

This is the third year in a row funding and budgets for higher education have been severely cut. Missouri is currently 45th in the nation for higher education funding.

Maryville Superintendent Larry Linthacum thinks the tax would be a good thing for the schools.

"What sticks in my mind is that it would generate $283 million in new revenue, and 50 percent of that would go to Missouri elementary and high schools. So around $141.5 million would go to education, and I think that's a good thing," Linthacum said.

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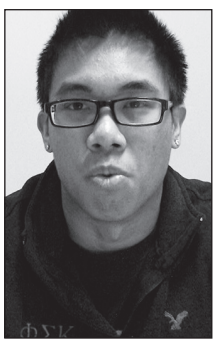
### What was your reaction to Tomarken Smith's death?

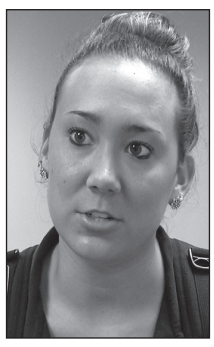
"He was such an awesome guy. Every time you saw him he had that huge smile on his face. Maryville is definitely not the same today and probably never will be."

**Sam Cole**
Junior



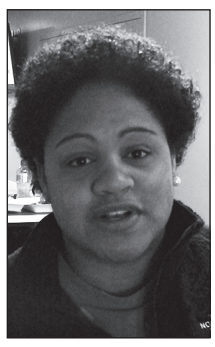
"I got the email that said Tomarken passed away. My heart just sank. He would always make it a point to come up and say hi and shake my hand."

**Alvin Le**
Junior



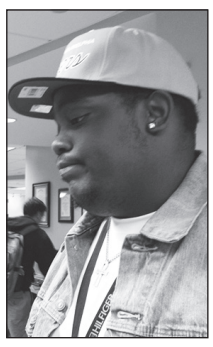
"I was devastated, that is not the way anyone wants to wake up in the morning. Anyone that knew TO just knew what an amazing person he was. He is genuinely the nicest person I have ever met."

**Erika Hanson**
Senior



"He was a great guy; he always had a smile on his face. He was always talking to students. You can tell the impact of his death has hit campus hard because he was always in contact with students."

**Taylor Zweifel**
Junior



"We came here together; he was my next door neighbor freshman year. We started this experience together. It is kind of sad that we won't get to end it together as well."

**Adam McNairy**
Senior

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**President Jasinski speaks to students at Friday night's candle vigil for Tomarken Smith at the Bell Tower on campus.**

## OUR VIEW:

# Violence holds consequences

Is it in our nature to be violent people? We seem to solve all of our problems with physical or verbal violence rather than calming down and looking at all angles of a situation. For as long as anyone can tell, we have solved disputes with an attack of some type.

We have jousted for the honor of women rather than just wooing her over with flowers. We had sword fights for no reason other than to prove how manly we were. We even had gun duels to determine the presidency in the United States. It seems to be instilled in us that we have to solve our problems by showing how tough we can be.

It is unfortunate that it takes the death of a friend and a brother to open our eyes to the problem. The recent, tragic death of Tomarken Smith has opened our eyes to the violence around us.

Is it worth the pain that it causes to the family and friends of the victim? Does it solve anything? We commit crimes against others to get revenge, but do we feel better after we are in prison for the next 20 years?

The United States has the highest number of incarcerated people per capita of all developed countries. Is this a testament to how strict our laws are? Does it highlight how we can only deal with our problems in a way that gets us thrown in jail?

It shows how we function as a society that we do not try to reform but rather we punish. We do not invest in a system that teaches criminals that there are other ways to deal with problems. We also do not invest in making sure kids know of other ways to deal with these situations.

If we took the time to invest in programs to help people rather than covering the problem with a Band-Aid, we could effectively curb the problem. After-school programs for young children would be a great place for them to learn to be constructive rather than destructive. For adults with problems, we can invest in strong anger management programs. Either way we need to change our tendencies from constructive to destructive.

So here is our plea to you. Take the time to utilize the University's resources and learn of different ways to handle stressful situations in a nonviolent way. The Wellness Center has many great resources to help in situations where anger can take over and control your actions. Use the free counseling you get with your tuition. We need to learn to cope and deal with problems in a way that ends the pain for families that lose a loved one.

Remember Tomarken in a way that reminds you to take a second to think about what is happening. Think about whose lives you will affect. Rash decisions will get you nowhere, and it will leave someone with a broken heart and missing a loved one.

# Happiness within reach for most of us

**B.K. TAYLOR**
Contributing Columnist

Am I happy? Where can I find happiness? Can you buy a happy life? Everyone asks these questions. You might be thinking, does anyone really ask if you can buy happiness? To be honest, I do not think so, but it does seem to be what people try to do.

People chase jobs or houses, trying to have the best stuff, but are they really happy? We spend all of our time searching for happiness or putting it off. "I will be happy when (insert a job, car or any other thing)," what if the truth is much simpler?

What if happiness is not a unicorn that you will never catch, but instead right in front of you each and every day? What if it is that moment when you are sitting next to the person you love or an ice cold soda on a hot day? What if happiness is not something to be found but something to cultivate, grow and maintain? Happiness is not a secret treasure to only be found by the few, but a realization that the treasure you were looking for is all around you.

Psychology, from the beginning, has taken on the noble goal of helping the ill, but there is clearly more to life than not being sick. Within the last 30 years, a new field of psychology has grown called positive psychology. Positive psychology is the science of happiness.

The leading scientists in the field of positive psychology suggest that there may be many different ways to become happy. One of the exercises suggested is starting a journal of positive things. Every night a person would write about at least three things that made them happy in this journal.

Another suggestion is to go and engage in an activity to help another person. Science has shown that helping people is one of the easiest ways to increase your own happiness.

I am sure this all may seem a bit cheesy or cliché, but do me a favor from one person to another: use this week and set aside some time to look for the things that make you happy. With each one of these things, take the time to be present and to enjoy each happy moment.

I will give you this guarantee: you will see people, places and things like you never have before, and with any luck, you will be happy.

# Romney off in latest criticisms of Obama

**THOMAS DRESSLER**
Missourian Reporter

As the anniversary of the attacks on Sept. 11, 2001 passes once more, it is customary for politicians and presidential candidates to hold off their usual slew of partisan jabs and take a day to respect those lives that were lost that day. Mitt Romney just couldn't help himself this year.

On the 11th anniversary of 9/11, an anti-Islam video surfaced, causing widespread anti-American protests in Libya and Egypt that resulted in the storming of the U.S. Embassies in Benghazi and Libya and the killing of Ambassador Chris Stevens along with three of his staff members.

Without waiting for more information to come out, Mitt Romney released a statement connecting the Obama administration to this tragedy. "I'm outraged by the attacks on American diplomatic missions in Libya and Egypt and by the death of an American consulate worker in Benghazi. It's disgraceful that the Obama administration's first response was not to condemn attacks on our diplomatic missions, but to sympathize with those who waged the attacks."

Not only are those statements in blatant disregard of promises to refrain from attacking the president that day, but they are also extremely misleading once you look at the facts of the situation.

These criticisms came in response to a statement from the American Embassy in Egypt that came out against the intolerant film but did not address the violent rioting that occurred in response to the video.

One detail the Romney camp seemed to gloss over was that the statement was made shortly after noon, before the attacks on the embassy had even occurred. In addition, the Obama administration distanced itself from the remarks of the embassy, saying they "were not cleared by Washington and do not reflect the views of the United States government."

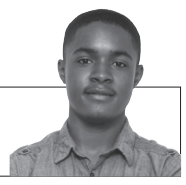
In spite of those obvious realities, Romney doubled down on his attack the following day.

"It's also important for me…to say that the statements were inappropriate and in my view, a disgraceful statement on the part of our administration to apologize for American values," Romney said.

Not surprisingly, Mitt Romney isn't the only Republican to share this sentiment. Sarah Palin, Sen. Jim DeMint (R-S.C.), and former Defense Secretary Donald Rumsfeld all praised Romney's remarks and one Romney aide even went as far as saying the attacks could have been averted if Romney had been president.

This incident once again showcases the Romney campaign and the GOP's habit of blindly blaming and criticizing Obama for things without waiting for all the information to come out or stopping to take a look at what actually happened. Romney is making the choice for president easier on the American people.

# Maryville lacks crucial mainstays for students



**NICK HERNDON**
Missourian Reporter

After gazing through last week's Missourian, I was drawn to the cover story about the Asian cuisine war zone known as Maryville. This made me wonder if it is necessary to have five Asian food restaurants in a town with a little over 10 thousand people.

Should a town with one high school have five sandwich shops with talks of there being a sixth? And perhaps the biggest joke of all is having the "North Side Mall", which, in reality, is a building with a few lawyer and insurance offices with the only retail store selling orthopedics and hospital scrubs.

Must we be confined to JC Penney's, Wal-Mart, local boutiques or online shopping when wanting to be fashionable? When I want variety, I either have to go to the mall in St. Joseph or all the way to Kansas City. Have you seen gas prices lately? The gas money that I would spend to get to the mall would be more than I would spend on clothes.

As for entertainment, Maryville is not too bad. Before you crucify me, listen to my reasoning. To be entertained is a state of mind which can only be measured by each individual person. While it would definitely be more convenient to have laser tag, go karts or a hookah bar in our quaint little town, I am actually fine with being creative in order to have fun.

While some of us are okay with the lack of entertainment, many wonder why we do not have any. I am sure it is because previously, there has been no demand for these businesses.

There are enough diverse cultures, races and religions in Maryville for the cuisine, attire and history of each group be represented. This is a cry for help; please give us more Maryville.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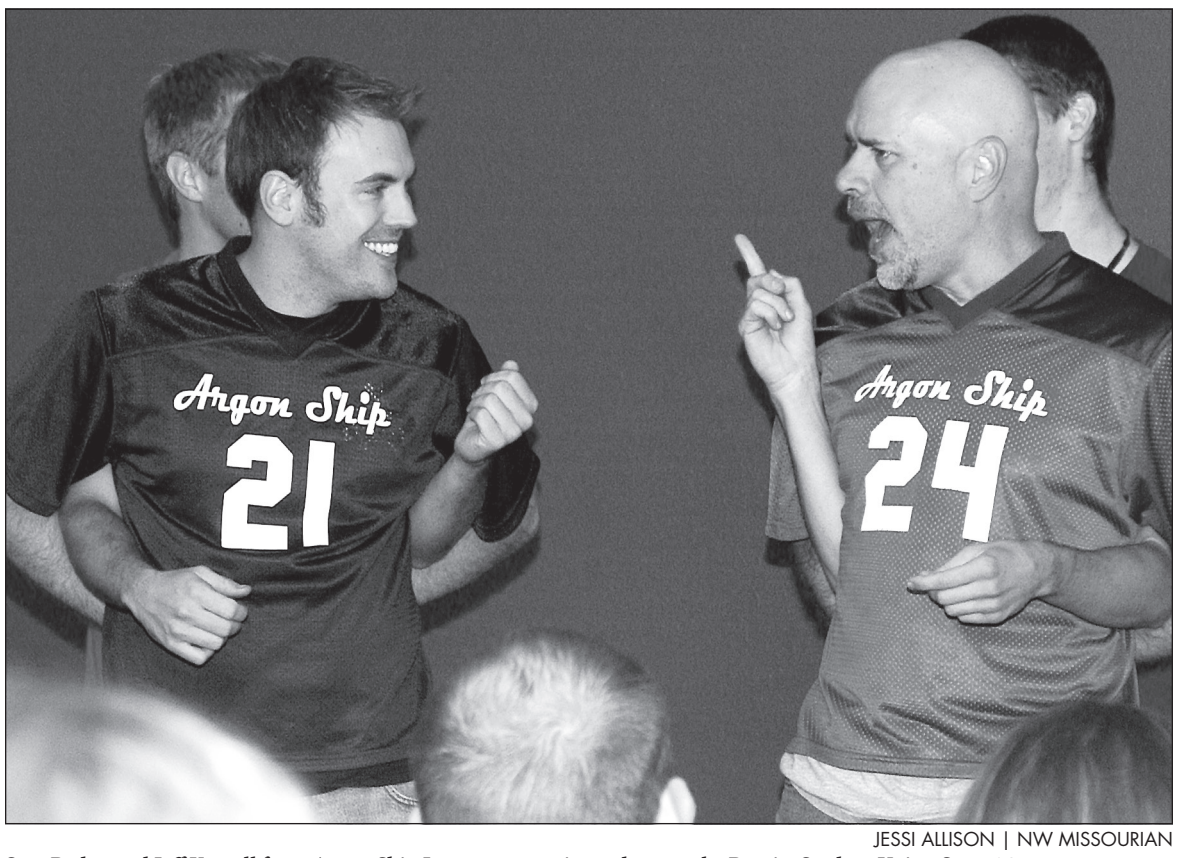


JESSI ALLISON | NW MISSOURIAN

**Sam Ryden and Jeff Yarnell from Argon Ship Improv entertain students at the Baptist Student Union Sept. 14.**

## News Brief:

# Organizations must re-register this fall

Student organizations hold a number of opportunities. However, before they can reap the benefits, all organizations must make sure they are up to date.

Northwest requires organizations to re-register each academic year.

In order to be recognized, an organization must have a sponsor who is a full-time member of Northwest's faculty, staff or administration. A constitution and/or bylaws must be submitted, unless an exemption has been requested.

In addition, the organization's members must have a 2.0 cumulative GPA and submit a list of officers and general members.

Forms can be found on a link located at the bottom of the University's Student Senate page.

## SUSPECTS

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Department is currently re-interviewing people who witnessed the incident said Keith Wood, Maryville Public Safety director.

Wood said though there have been speculations there was a racial element involved in the crime, Overlin and Mooney being white and Smith black, no facts have been revealed to back up those claims.

"It is unfortunate enough when a racial event does occur, and we need to address it," Wood said. "But for an incident to happen that really did just involve three gentlemen regardless of the color of their skin, it is unfortunate that there are those who would make it racial in nature."

The conflict between the two suspects and Smith began Sept. 14 inside Molly's Party Club, according to Wood.

"It's my understanding that the two suspects were being an annoyance, if you will, to some young ladies, and I think that had been persistent for a while before Tomarken stepped in," Wood said. "That was a very brief encounter, which was broken up by officers in the bar on patrol."

Sgt. Rex Riley and Rick Smail were the officers in the bar at the time of the incident. Wood said the officers reported that the two future suspects were "jovial" as they left the bar and were high-fiving bar as they were escorted out.

Approximately 20 minutes later, at about 1:15 a.m., someone called Smith to their attention as he was leaving the bar. Smith was struck one to two times before he fell and his head hit the concrete. Shortly after that the officers saw two men identified as the same men who were escorted from the bar earlier running away from Smith as he was lying unconscious on the sidewalk.

Overlin and Mooney were taken into custody minutes later.

"It was what we would call a non-event. Even the incident outside (of Molly's) was fairly minor in terms of the encounter," Wood said. "I wouldn't even call it a fight because a fight indicates there were two parties involved, and Tomarken never even had the opportunity to defend himself. An assault would be more accurate than a fight."

Smith was pronounced dead at about 2:21 a.m.

## SUPPORT

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ments made that implied that it was a racial disagreement," Green said. "It was more of an altercation that occurred between two men who just happened to be of different race at the time."

Green said that meeting with those students and letting them express those concerns was beneficial for both them and the University.

"I think (the students) came to a place that was very positive, and it didn't start that way," Crowley said. "I think they challenged each other, and they were so articulate and truthful and open and honest."

Northwest is working with Maryville Public Safety to set up a question and answer session on the events that occurred for students to participate in, according to Green.

"We want all of our students to be involved," Green said. "We think it is important to have an open-air discussion about things going on."

Anyone needing to talk with someone about the tragedy can also find help at the PDC, located in the University Wellness Center on the east side of campus. They can also be reached at 660.562.1348.

Counselors are available Monday-Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

"With my walk around on Friday, it was clear that Tomarken was not your average student," Provost Doug Dunham said. "He had touched a lot of people's lives, and that includes faculty and staff."

## REMEMBER

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right.

"His smile, his million dollar smile, he could flash that and… you know," Lakeshia said before laughing.

She remembers many stories and times spent with her little brother, but one sticks out.

"The first year of college, his first visit home, of course I picked him up," Lakeshia said. "We had a halfway mark in Columbia. I'm waiting on him to pull up…and when I finally see him, he jumps out of the car, he runs across the parking lot, 'Sissy.' He picks me up, twirls me around and I'm like, 'Boy put me down.' But we both start crying, 'I love you' and 'I miss you,' because he had never been away from home.

"It's so hard because he was my youngest brother, and he was the baby, but that was my baby."

Though Tomarken was 350 miles away from home, he had family where ever he was. And his family at Northwest will remember him all the same.

Sophomore Victoria Ensinia, a close friend of T.O.'s who knew him well, said he never faltered from the values he was raised on. She said his father, who died when Tomarken was 14, was a big influence in his life.

"He only opened up to a very few people about his dad, and he didn't let people too close to his family," Ensinia said. "He didn't want people to know him as being emotional. When people saw him, he was funny, he was sarcastic, he was outgoing and flirtatious.

"He just had that personality of being open to a lot of people, until it came to his family."

However guarded he seemed, or protective of his family he was, he was more than friendly to everyone he met.

"If he knew you, he loved you," said Adams, president of Sig Ep. "He would go out of his way, literally out of his way, to make your day."

Adams said T.O. was a touchy guy. He talked of Smith's ability to defuse any situation with a joke, a smile or his strength gained in the weight room.

"If I looked like I was in a bad mood, he'd come lift me off the ground and give me a big hug—he was a very touchy guy," Adams said "One thing a lot of the guys loved about T.O. was he was full of humor. That's one thing he brought to the table."

Beyond his smile and ability to lighten a room with his presence, Adams talked of Smith's passion, dedication and a pride greater than measure. In his time knowing Smith, Adams was amazed with his dedication and the pride he showed as a brother of Sig Ep.

"In our 90-man chapter, there is not a prouder member to wear those colors," Adams said. "We don't have a lot of guys like T.O. to tell you the truth…He wanted to let you know you're here, you're living life right now and you need to live it to the fullest, and that's one thing I'm going to challenge myself to do.

"I know that I'm going to miss him so, so much, and I'm going to do everything I can to carry on his legacy."

Tomarken Smith left his mark on the Northwest campus and the people he met. He left his mark with his personality, his nickname and his smile that could capture a room.

Tomarken "T.O." Smith will be remembered, and his sister said it's just because of the kind of guy he was and the way he treated everyone.

"When you greeted Tomarken, or he greeted you, it was with a smile and a hug, always."

## ASSISTANCE

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monetary donations gathered will be made available to Smith's family. There is no deadline on donations at this time.

In addition to the memorial fund, the purple and red ribbons seen around campus will be sold by Sig Ep Members for $2 in the J.W. Jones Student Union.

Adams also said T-shirts to commemorate Smith's memory will also be for sale as soon as the design is finalized. All money received from the fundraisers will go to help Smith's family cover the funeral costs.

"Right now, this time is for grieving there are a lot of guys who have great ideas about what we are going to do, and we will eventually put those intact," Adams said. "There will be numerous things that we are going to do. We will end up planning a philanthropy event and a community service event in his memory."

While no are activities dedicated to Smith's memory at this time a bell ringing is being discussed at the request of Smith's family.

Anyone wishing to make a donation to the Tomarken Smith Memorial Fund can send monetary donations to the Citizens Bank and Trust located at 105 N. Main St. in Maryville, Mo.

> "…We will end up planning a philanthropy event and a community service event in his memory"
>
> Chase Adams

# Blotter from the Maryville Department of Public Safety

September 15
Cody M. Hadley-Hill, 20, Maryville, Mo., was issued a city charge of larceny at the 1600 block of South Main Street.

September 14
Nikki J. Grrom, 18, Maryville, Mo., was issued a summons for being under 19 years old in a bar.

There is an ongoing investigation for an animal bite at the Faustiana Place.

There is an ongoing investigation for harassment at the 200 block of East Third Street.

There is an ongoing investigation for larceny at the 800 block of South Main Street.

September 13
Ashley N. Schmalz, 20, Maryville, Mo., was charged with minor in possession at the 300 block of North Market Street.

There is an ongoing investigation for lost or stolen property at the 500 block of North Fillmore Street.

September 12
There is an ongoing investigation of forgery at the 1200 block of South Main Street.

Christina M. Plummer, 18, Maryville, Mo., was charged with minor in possession at the 600 block of North Buchanan Street.

A stolen wallet was recovered at the 300 block of North Market Street.

Justin R. Wheeler, 21, Maryville, Mo., was issued a charge for permitting peace disturbance at the 500 block of North Buchanan Street.

September 11
A stolen bicycle was recovered at the 300 block of South Walnut Street.

There is an ongoing investigation of larceny at the 500 block of West South Hills Drive.

Jeffrey A. Pennington, 52, Maryville, Mo., was issued a city code violation at the 500 block of South Market.

Heather D. Jackson, 29, Maryville, Mo., and Billie R. Mackie, Maryville, Mo., were involved in an accident on the corner of west Fifth Street and North Main Street.

September 10
Kelly W. Sykes, 29, Dawn, Mo., was in a one-person driving accident at North Depot and East Seventh Street.

Ricky L. Gladman 55, Hopkins, Mo., was issued a city citation for a motor vehicle wreck with Lynette M. McClurg, Maryville, Mo at the 600 block of South Main Street.

There is an ongoing investigation for sealing be deceit at the 1100 block of North College Drive.

Dylan L. Eddy, 20, Liberty, Mo., was in an accident at the 200 block of East Edwards Street.

Mathew R. Engel, Maryville, Mo., was the second driver in an accident at the 400 block of West Second Street; driver one is unknown.

Jevon H. Farley, Maryville, Mo., was charged with a citation for failure to yield in a vehicle accident with Grant C. Cozad, 21, Maryville, Mo.

There is an ongoing investigation for property damage at the 100 block of South Clayton Street.

There is an ongoing investigation for burglary at the 2000 block of South Clayton Street.

There is an ongoing investigation for larceny at the 1100 block of east Third Street.

September 9
Jolicsa N. Guymon, 24, St. Joseph, Mo., was issued a citation for leaving the scene of an accident and failure to maintain financial responsibility at the 1600 block of South Main Street.

Brandon C. Roberts, 25, Maryville, Mo., was charged with assault at the 200 block of West Second Street.

There is an ongoing investigation of property damage at the 100 block of South Clayton.

There is an ongoing investigation of a stolen vehicle at the 500 block of West Second Street.

September 8
There is an ongoing investigation for lost/stolen property at the 200 block of East Third Street.

There was a fire report for a vehicle accident with extrication on U.S. highway 71 South.

September 7
There is an ongoing investigation for property damage at the 600 block of West Halsey Street.

There is an ongoing investigation for larceny from a motor vehicle at the 600 block of North Fillmore Street.

John R. McCormick, 19, Kansas City, Mo., was charged with minor in possession and littering; Justin M. Grothe, 19, DeSoto, Mo., was charged with resisting arrest, failure to comply, minor in possession and littering at the 500 block of West Seventh Street.

James M. Colvin, 64, Maryville, Mo., was issued a citation for failure to yield at the corner of East First Street and South Dewey Street in an accident with Ashley A, McCall, 27, Clarinda, Iowa.

Daniel Carson, 22, Maryville, Mo., is the vehicle owner in an accident at the 500 block of West Second Street; the driver of the other vehicle involved is unknown.

Andrew L. McLaughlin, 19, Maryville, Mo., was issued a citation for failure to yield at the corner of West Fourth Street and North Fillmore in an accident with Donovan D, Stout, 19, Gallatin, Mo.

Brian N. Wagner, 25, Ravenwood, Mo., was involved in an accident with Brian D. Bade, 27, Maryville, Mo., at the corner of East First Street and South Market Street.

September 6
There is an ongoing investigation for larceny of a motor vehicle on the 600 block of West Cooper Street.

Caitlyn R. Strohm, 20, Kansas City, Mo., was charged with minor in possession at the 300 block of North Market Street.

September 4
Homer G. Ulmer, 84, Hopkins, Mo., was involved in an accident at the 2000 block of South Main Street; the other driver involved is unknown.

Zachary B. Powelson, 21, Maryville, Mo., was issued a contempt of court at the 400 block of North Market Street.

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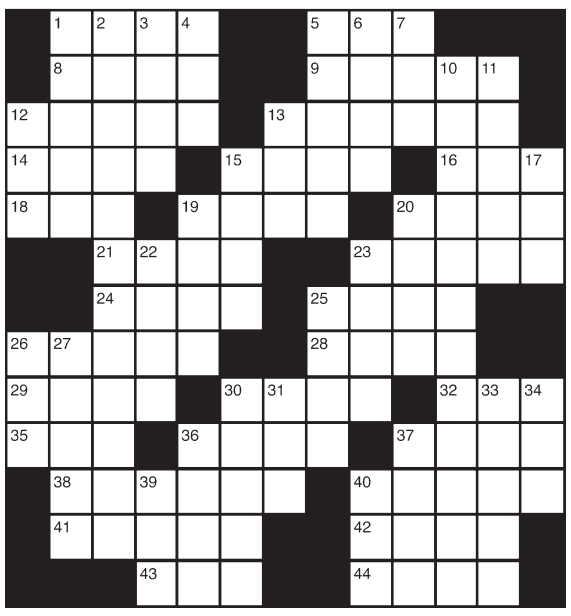

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5 "__ You There, Chelsea?"
8 Betty White's role on "The Golden Girls"
9 Early Disney film about a fawn
12 Van Dyke and Van Patten
13 Actor Scott __
14 Supplies for a printer
15 Actor __ Chandler
16 Act one's __; behave appropriately
18 Susan of "L.A. Law"
19 Orange rind
20 Fight results, often: abbr.
21 Actor James __
23 Board game
24 MacGraw and Larter
25 "__ & Clark: The New Adventures of Superman"
26 Burnett or Channing
28 Series for Loretta Swit
29 Unit of farmland
30 Actress Helen __
32 Historical period
35 Fraternity letter
36 "__ Men"; movie for Forest Whitaker and Jude Law
37 __ Kadiddlehopper; Red Skelton character
38 Burstyn and Pompeo
40 Sagal of "Married with Children"
41 More underhanded
42 "...giving __, up the chimney..."
43 Ron, who once played Tarzan
44 Strong cravings

**DOWN**
1 Seawater
2 Leon Vance's portrayer on "NCIS"
3 Invites
4 __ Moines, Iowa
5 Have __; enjoy oneself
6 Leaf-gathering implement
7 Large flightless bird
10 One of the coaches on "The Voice"
11 Namesakes of the villain in "Othello"
12 "Why __ I Get Married?"; Janet Jackson movie
13 Short farewell
15 Wahl and Olin
17 Suffix for host or count
19 Bucket
20 "__ Is Spinal Tap"
22 __ vera; lotion ingredient
23 Outer garment
25 HIJK followers
26 "__ 54, Where Are You?"
27 Prolonged pains
30 Fonda or Morgan
31 FedEx rival
33 Rex and Donna
34 Actress Madigan
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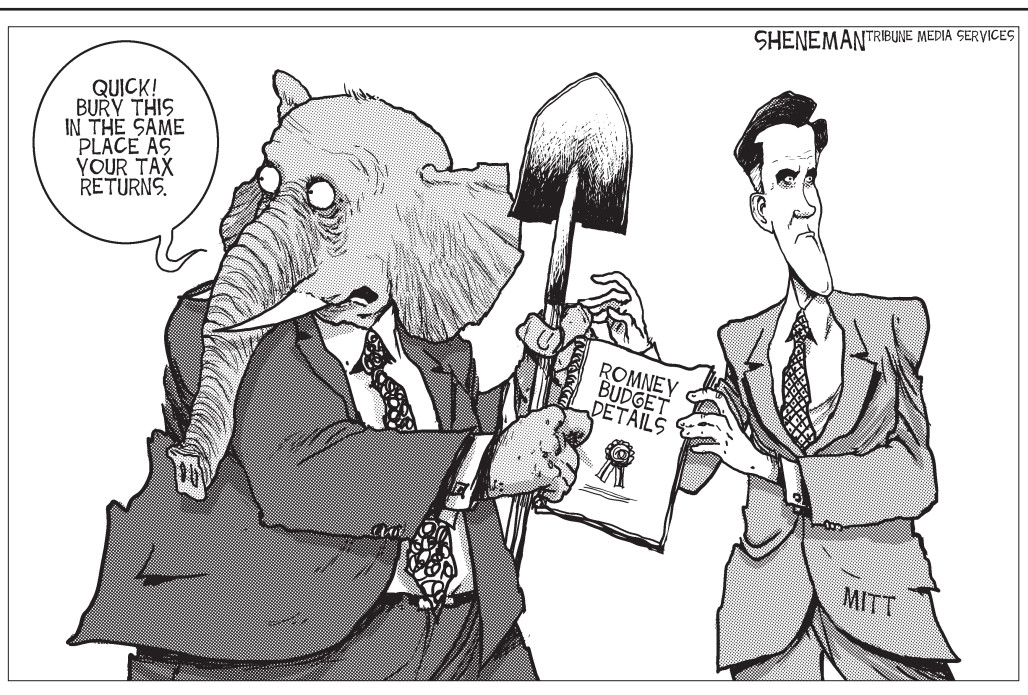


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## Horoscopes:

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Today's Birthday (09/20/12). A new three-year phase of research and communications develops, and two eclipses smile upon your career this year. Keep to your budget, and your nest egg grows. Nurture friendships. Water your garden with love and constancy.

**Aries** (March 21-April 19) -- Today is a 6 -- Enter the adventure ... watch out for surprises and potential collisions, and advance to the next level. Watch the big picture for the next few days. Being thrifty is a virtue now.

**Taurus** (April 20-May 20) -- Today is an 8 -- Don't move your money around. Others look to you for advice, but you don't need to give it all away. Project a refined image. It's okay to ask questions. Schedule carefully.

**Gemini** (May 21-June 20) -- Today is a 7 -- Don't let anybody pressure you into doing anything. Take your sweet time to do what's right, and negotiate where needed. Keep communication channels open.

**Cancer** (June 21-July 22) -- Today is a 9 -- Your ideas are flowing well now. Focus on your work today and tomorrow. Think a bit more about what your partner wants. Romance may be involved.

**Leo** (July 23-Aug. 22) -- Today is a 9 -- You're very persuasive and extremely creative now. Don't be fooled by imitations, no matter how real they look. Have a good time, but don't max out the credit cards.

**Virgo** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) -- Today is an 8 -- You don't have to do it all, but you can provide the information needed and be a hero. Open your heart to your family now. Plan a quiet evening at home with people you love.

**Libra** (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) -- Today is a 7 -- Let the love games begin! Sharing intimacy and appreciation is more important than winning the gold. Get in touch with those who want to hear from you. Suspend criticism. Offer encouragement instead.

**Scorpio** (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) -- Today is a 9 -- Your past work speaks well for you. It's all right to bask in the glory, but don't lose your perspective just to get more. Creativity is required when answering tough questions.

**Sagittarius** (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) -- Today is a 6 -- You're extra charming, and you like it. Welcome any challenges, and don't give up. Creativity is required and readily available. Ideas are everywhere. Use them.

**Capricorn** (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) -- Today is an 8 -- Put off procrastination for a few days, at least. Absorb the deeper meaning of the new information that impels a change in plans. Plug a financial leak. Exercise restraint.

**Aquarius** (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) -- Today is an 8 -- Your popularity increases. Friends think you're great, but don't take them for granted. Consider your own points for a debate. It's not a good time to shop, as it could crash your cash flow.

**Pisces** (Feb. 19-March 20) -- Today is an 8 -- Advance your career today and tomorrow, with a little help from your friends. Don't throw your money away until after now. You can handle a tough interrogation.

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**Peacock dressed in Vegas style drag for one of his many drag show apparences.**

# Comfort In Drag

## Man finds peace in women's dress

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Bert Peacock is 61 years old. He has long, flowing blond hair and a peaceful smile. His eyes light up when cracking jokes and he speaks with a calm delivery. He has worn the same long, flaming-red acrylic fingernails for nine years. Bert Peacock is a drag queen.

But Bert Peacock is comfortable in his own skin.

Peacock, a veteran of the U. S. Air Force and a retired worker from Maryville's Kawasaki plant, has been dressing like a woman since he was a child. He claimed it started when his sisters would play dress-up, and they would not allow him to play along.

"If I ever got left at home," Peacock said. "I'd just do it by myself."

It is this attitude that led Peacock to dress in drag for any and every occasion as an adult. From Christmas parties to Air Force dances, Peacock would be dropping jaws as he went about his daily life dressed in full as a woman.

"It's just a feel-good thing, mostly," Peacock said.

"I'm more comfortable in a skirt and heels than I am in jeans and a t-shirt. Girls have the coolest clothes; guys' clothes are just so boring. I like to dress nice, but you are never going to see me in a tuxedo. It's not going to happen."

Extreme amounts of cosmetic tribulation could occur with the lifestyle Peacock chooses to lead; however, it brings a peaceful aspect to his life.

"I don't get in anybody's face with it," Peacock said. "If I see somebody around that seems like they have a problem with it, I'll go away."

Cliff McNair, friend of Peacock since childhood, believes Peacock can be misunderstood.

"Anybody that actually gets to know Bert, that really gets to know him, doesn't have a problem with him because he is the nicest guy in the world," McNair said. "He'd do anything for anybody; he doesn't have a mean bone in his body. If you don't like what he does, don't be around it."

Peacock also finds salvation through hot rod cartooning, another talent he began at a young age. He enjoys detail in his work and has found more time to focus on making sound pieces since retiring. He has drawn over 40 pieces since his retirement, some of which he has sold to community members who show interest in the art. His pieces take him anywhere from a few days to a few weeks, depending on the size and detail put into them.

"I fell in love with the hot rod craze back in the '60s," said Peacock. "When I went into the Air Force I started drawing aircrafts, and it started snowballing from there."

McNair has watched Peacock's artistic style progress throughout their friendship and feels as though Peacock is strongly modest toward his work.

"There's probably not two or three people alive right now that can draw to the quality of his work," McNair said. "It hasn't sunk through to him; he doesn't think that he's that good. He's such a talented guy."

Through all of his eye-opening lifestyle choices, Peacock stays true to who he is and shows comfort in what he does.

"I am not gay," said Peacock. "I like girls, absolutely, but I also like the way they dress. I am envious of them; they make it look so much better than I do."

Peacock admits that performing in drag shows is a creative outlet for him, a unique way for him to come to terms with who he is.

"I used to be so shy I couldn't talk to my own shadow," Peacock said. "I enjoy it, it's a major high without drugs. I am just flying when I come off the stage."

Peacock realizes many people, especially young students, face the same struggle with acceptance as Peacock has, in their own way.

"Being completely open about what I do takes a lot of the stigma out of it for other people," Peacock said. "I don't try to hide anything. If you try to hide something, they are going to think it's something bad. I've never tried to hide it from anybody."

McNair hopes everyone will look beyond what Peacock does and enjoy him for who he is as an individual, not for how he dresses or what he does.

"Get to know a person," McNair said. "You might not like everything everybody does, but don't hate people because of what they do."

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>
> Bert Peacock

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**Peacock is found in a skirt and pantyhose, a few of his favorite pieces of attire.**

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## The Stroller:

# Your Man seeks social havan at blood drive

Sometimes it feels good to just get away from the freaks, you know what I mean? I walk through the hallways, dorm buildings, disc golf course (just kidding, no one uses the disc golf course) and think, "I need to spend some time away from the riffraff"

Well kids, I have finally found my haven: the Northwest blood drive, on campus next week from Tuesday through Thursday. I already knew that was going to be the place for me when I walked by and saw a proportionally-correct number of normal people in there. Then someone gave me a health history form, and I knew I was home.

Let us take a look at all the scum of society who are not welcomed at blood drives. We'll start with pregnant women. Who has the patience or even the time to deal with them, honestly? Who truly knows when their water could break or contractions could start? This is a serious issue.

Next up are the gays, banned from giving blood because of their high risk of venereal diseases. Or maybe their "Queer Eye" fashion sense makes them so repulsed by the nurses' scrubs that they voluntarily added their name to the "no-entry" list. So nurses, keep unfabulousing those scrubs to keep the limp-wristed away, thank you.

Also banned from giving blood are people who have spent an accumulative six months in Europe. Thank God. The last thing this University needs is a bunch of smelly Europeans running around, asking how much a litre of petrol costs.

People under 110 pounds can't give blood, presumably because of how devoid their blood is of, you know, anything. If you're that small, you probably don't eat enough nutrients to give to the blood-thirsty. Keep your tiny selves away.

If you got a recent tattoo or piercing, you cannot donate blood. You also cannot if you have active tuberculosis. I almost can't believe these two categories are on the same list. Did we not find a cure for tattoos and piercings like a hundred years ago? Tuberculosis, on the other hand, I'm sick of hearing about. Dang kids spring breaking in Tampa and getting tuberculosis with their friends just to piss off their parents.

This is the bottom rung of society, people. Escape all of them at the same time at the blood drive.

*The Stroller has been a tradition since 1918 and does not reflect the views of The Northwest Missourian.*

## WHAT'S HOT

**"Borderlands 2"**

Nerds worldwide retreat to their mothers' basements for this monumental release.

**Tech N9ne**

Kansas City's hometown hero's latest EP, "E.B.A.H.," debuted in the top 10 on iTunes on its release date last Tuesday, outselling The Killers and Easton Corbin.

**SEC Football**

Despite what happens in January, it appears as though the real national championship will be played on Nov. 3 in Baton Rouge, La.

## WHAT'S NOT

**The Kansas City Chiefs**

And with the first pick in the 2013 NFL Draft, the Chiefs select….

**Mitt Romney**

This guy really does not understand the middle class.

**Shaun White**

Snowboarding's dominating force was arrested for public intoxication and vandalism. Ron Weasley, and other gingers worldwide, would be pissed.

### Billboard Hot 100 Songs

1. Taylor Swift-"We Are Never Ever Getting Back Together"
2. Maroon 5-"One More Night"
3. Flo Rida-"Whistle"
4. Fun.-"Some Nights"
5. Ellie Goulding-"Lights"
6. P!nk-"Blow Me (One Last Kiss)"
7. Justin Bieber featuring Big Sean-"As Long as You Love Me"
8. Neon Trees-"Everybody Talks"
9. Owl City & Carly Rae Jepsen-"Good Time"
10. Alex Clare-"Too Close"

### Billboard Top 200

1. Matchbox Twenty-"North"
2. Imagine Dragons-"Night Visions"
3. Lecrae-"Gravity"
4. Various Artists-"Now 43"
5. Carrie Underwood-"Blown Away"
6. Maroon 5-"Overexposed"
7. 2 Chainz-"Based on a T.R.U. Story"
8. TobyMac-"Eye On It"
9. Trey Songz-"Chapter V"
10. Cat Power-"Sun"

### In Theaters This Week

**"The Perks of Being a Wallflower"**
(Drama)
Director: Stephen Chbosky
Starring: Logan Lerman, Kate Walsh

**"Dredd"**
(Action/Adventure)
Director: Pete Travis
Starring: Karl Urban, Rachel Wood

**"End of Watch"**
(Crime Drama)
Director: David Ayer
Starring: Jake Gyllenhaal, Natalie Martinez

**"The Victim"**
(Thriller)
Director: Michael Biehn
Starring: Michael Biehn, Jennifer Blanc

**"You May Not Kiss the Bride"**
(Romantic Comedy)
Director: Rob Hedden
Starring: Dave Annable, Rob Schneider

# Kreayshawn drops catchy party record

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Sixteen months and 40 million hits on YouTube later, fans finally have a debut record from hyped female rapper Kreayshawn.

Well over a year ago, Kreayshawn began dominating the internet music world with her incredibly catchy debut single, "Gucci Gucci," which has lead to the Sept. 18 release of her debut full-length record "Somethin 'Bout Kreay." The record contains a vast array of chart-topping collaborations, including appearances by Kid Cudi and 2 Chainz.

Kreayshawn kicks off the album with a fast-paced and quirky cut, "Blasé Blasé," where the emcee spits through verses about the typical topics of getting paid and telling off her haters. The song is a fun track, but nothing that will make jaws drop.

The record continues its upbeat tempo with the exceedingly catchy track "Summertime." Kreayshawn delivers a great chorus in this song and smoothly walks the listener through her vision of the perfect summer. The highlight track of "Somethin 'Bout Kreay" is the clever and rebellious "Go Hard (La.La.La)." Kreayshawn drops the best hook of the record, a chant of la la la's that will be sung on dance floors from Oakland to New York City.

"Somethin 'Bout Kreay" contains a strong amount of genuinely catchy hip-hop songs; however, there are songs on this record that show this rapper is far from invincible in her game. The 10th track on the album, "Breakfast," featuring 2 Chainz, is an extraordinarily weak and overall stupid track. The unappealing chorus Kreayshawn delivers is "I got all the syrup, I got all the syrup, got that juice, cheese, bread, breakfast." Lines like this question the potential of the popular up-and-comer.

Overall, "Somethin 'Bout Kreay" is a record that will please a fan of catchy, simple songs. It is a fun album that shows promise from an artist surrounded by so much internet hype.

**Artist: Kreayshawn**
**Album: "Somethin 'Bout Kreay"**
**Release date: 9.18.12**
**Record Label: Columbia Records**
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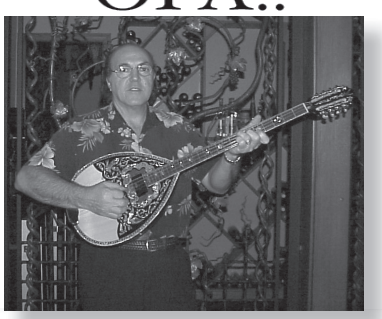
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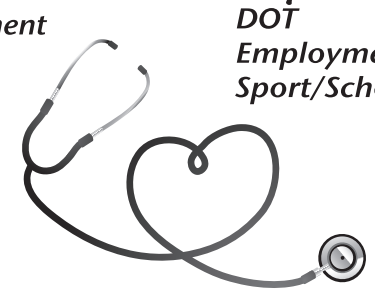
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## EMOTIONAL

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start due to an injured ankle. It is unclear whether he will be back for Saturday's game.

Junior and redshirt freshman quarterbacks Tyler Seals and Brady Bolles filled in for Adams to pick up the win.

Seals finished with two touchdowns passing, while Bolles racked up 111 rushing yards.

"I feel like I've proven that we can (run a two-quarterback offense)," Dorrel said. "In 2008 we did it and did it very effectively. Like I said Saturday after the game, it starts with your kids. They have to buy in, they have to believe, and that's all that matters. Public perception, opinion, that doesn't matter. It's what the kids believe. If they buy into it and they're unselfish, then it'll work."

The key injury for the Lopers is missing their starting senior quarterback Kevin Romero who went down for the year in week one and two backups who were both injured last week.

"Right now, like us, they've got a little bit of an injury bug," Dorrel said.

Dorrel said he was not sure of the severity of the injuries to the second and third-string players.

Nebraska-Kearney's main offensive threat comes in the form of junior wide receiver/ running back Tommy Flanagan, who leads the team in rushing yards, rushing touchdowns and receptions.

Flanagan has also thrown for two touchdowns on just two attempts and is the team's punter.

"He's a really, really multiple kid," Dorrel said. "They line him up a lot and move him around. They do a lot of stuff with him, and they're very creative with him to try and get him the ball in space. He's a guy that we're certainly having to game plan for."

The game kicks off at 4 p.m. Saturday in Kearney, Neb.

## EDUCATION

CONTINUED FROM **A12**

Northwest's head volleyball coach, Amy Phelps, says she is glad the policy educates athletes.

"You let people play that are clean, and I think you get some of that from professional sports," Phelps said. "I think that the young generation is seeing what has happened, and that it could be influencing them. People are stepping in and wanting to make sure it doesn't influence athletes here."

Some things that are tested include stimulants, steroids, and substances banned for specific sports.

"We owe it to our student athletes the best experience they can get," Baker said. "We owe it to them to teach them something other than how to be better in a sport. If they are using drugs, we owe it to them to help identify the problem and help them correct it. That's really the motivation in the policy."

## PATHS

CONTINUED FROM **A12**

side of the border … It looks good. (Well, minus those uniforms.) And I hate saying it.

Granted, there are still a few questions, as there should be for a new team in a big conference.

James Franklin is a good enough signal caller to feed the ball to his massive selection of wide receivers and keep the chains moving. The only true flaw I see with Franklin is his selfishness on option plays and giving up on deep routes too soon.

A few months ago, I was like every other Kansas fan in the world. There was no chance Missouri could win a single game in the SEC. They will get embarrassed eight times per season in conference. And, just like usual, I was wrong.

The Tigers showed me something, specifically in the Georgia game. Yeah, they lost due to some mental errors in the second half. But they looked like, well, an SEC team. Don't forget, Georgia is good. Really good.

Mizzou's defense looked extremely fast. Like cornerbacks playing defensive end fast. Like Chris Johnson playing every position on the field fast.

And what is the most important defensive asset in the SEC? Speed. The Tigers aren't near as talented as Alabama or LSU, but who is?

They will not be able to completely shut down any legitimate offenses, but slow some down? Sure. Force turnovers? Definitely.

Mizzou will lose three games from here on out. At South Carolina this weekend, against Alabama (obviously) and either at Tennessee or at Florida.

And if you are a Tiger fan, you should take that and run with it.

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## RAISING

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helped them adjust to dealing with living so far from home.

"It was difficult at first, being in such a different culture from what I'm used to," D'Angela said. "Being with my teammates and playing golf helped out a lot."

D'Angela's positive outlook on the University has helped out a lot, sparking a rapport between Northwest and Ontario. An Ontario golf academy chose two Division II schools which fit the criteria for their students: the University of Indianapolis and Northwest.

This advantage will keep Northwest contending for many years as they continue to nab recruits like Charteris.

The poised sophomore is coming off a season where she earned Freshman of the Year and Academic All-American honors, finishing third in the MIAA Championship.

"We came into this year with much higher goals and expectations than last year, individually and from a team standpoint," Charteris said. "We're always helping each other improve and pushing each other to play our best."

Competition within the team is undoubtedly credited to the recruiting dexterity of McLaughlin. Aiding the wealth of talent is a determined group who do just as well in the classroom as they do on the course.

The team boasted a GPA of 3.76 a year ago with D'Angela and Charteris earning Academic All-American honors. The Bearcats came extremely close to having five of their eight players qualify for the academic honor, an impressive feat that contributes to the team's success.

"The girls are naturally focused; it's in their personality," McLaughlin said. "They're dedicated to being the best in the classroom, and it carries over onto the golf course. It makes you proud as a coach."

That is following a record-breaking season last year when the Bearcats finished with an all-time low in stroke average and were only three strokes away from being MIAA champions in only their fifth year as a program.

After an accomplished year, there is reason for optimism on the golf course. To add to the optimism, Northwest is returning every starter from a year ago, including junior Cassie Lowell who is coming off an outstanding sophomore campaign.

"Cassie works on her game constantly and is a great role model for the rest of the team," McLaughlin said. "Other players look up to her and say 'I'd like to be at that level of play.' She has really made a difference in elevating the entire team."

Lowell finished last year with a dominating performance by winning the MIAA Championship by a convincing eight strokes.

Lone senior Tess Edwards is also looked to as a leader. Her veteran presence and experience at the collegiate level has provided stability on the 'Cats roster.

It is the leadership from Edwards and Co. that had each girl working on her game this past summer, despite an NCAA rule disallowing coaches to require practice during the summer. A tough finish to last season was all the motivation each girl needed.

As the girls continue to push each other to improve week-to-week, and as the team continues to be successful, bringing in higher level athletes who are enthusiastic about playing golf at Northwest, McLaughlin's philosophy for success is coming to fruition.

It begins with qualifying for every tournament, which is appealing to talented high school athletes who are serious about taking their game to the next level. This creates competition, as incoming freshmen put pressure on returning athletes.

"Our success the last couple years has made recruiting an easier process as good student-athletes are figuring out they'd like to be a part of the Northwest golf program," McLaughlin said. "We're always looking for additional players who continue to bring the very best and keep the program moving forward."

Or McLaughlin could strike gold, like he did with Lowell and Charteris, who were immediate impact starters.

Either way, the 'Cats are already accustomed to winning at the Division II level. Now they are looking to make a statement and solidify themselves as a program known for its continual success.

"We're out there every day looking to improve our scores and reach our full potential," D'Angela said. "We're committing ourselves to winning a championship in the spring."

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### NW FOOTBALL

MIAA STANDINGS

| | Overall | MIAA |
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| Washburn | 3-0 | 3-0 |
| Emporia State | 3-0 | 3-0 |
| Pitt. State | 3-0 | 3-0 |
| Mo. Southern | 3-0 | 3-0 |
| Mo. Western | 3-0 | 2-0 |
| Truman | 3-0 | 2-0 |
| Lindenwood | 2-1 | 2-1 |
| Central Mo. | 2-1 | 2-1 |
| NORTHWEST | 2-1 | 1-1 |
| Central Oklahoma | 0-3 | 0-3 |
| Southwest Baptist | 0-3 | 0-3 |
| Lincoln (Mo.) | 0-3 | 0-3 |
| Nebraska Kearney | 0-3 | 0-3 |
| Northeastern State | 0-3 | 0-3 |
| Fort Hays | 0-3 | 0-3 |

**September 22:**
Washburn at Central Okla.
NORTHWEST at Neb. Kearney
Emporia St. at Northeastern St.
Mo. Western at Fort Hays
Lincoln at Pitt. State
S.W. Baptist at Mo. Southern

### MHS FOOTBALL

MEC STANDINGS

| | Overall | MEC |
|---|---|---|
| Savannah | 4-0 | 2-0 |
| MARYVILLE | 4-0 | 2-0 |
| Smithville | 3-1 | 1-1 |
| Bishop LeBlond | 3-1 | 1-1 |
| Lafayette | 3-1 | 1-1 |
| Chillicothe | 1-3 | 1-1 |
| Benton | 1-3 | 0-2 |
| Cameron | 0-4 | 0-2 |

**September 21:**
MARYVILLE at Cameron
Smithville at Lafayette
Savannah at Benton
Chillicothe at LeBlond

### NW VOLLEYBALL

MIAA STANDINGS

| | Overall | MIAA |
|---|---|---|
| Nebraska Kearney | 4-0 | 0-0 |
| NORTHWEST | 4-0 | 0-0 |
| Washburn | 4-0 | 0-0 |
| Central Mo. | 4-0 | 0-0 |
| Truman | 4-0 | 0-0 |
| Fort Hays | 3-0 | 0-0 |
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| Pitt. State | 2-2 | 0-0 |
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**September 21:**
Truman at Mo. Southern
Central Okla. at Emporia St.
Pitt. State at Washburn
Lindenwood at Mo. Western

**September 25:**
Washburn at NORTHWEST

### MHS VOLLEYBALL

MEC STANDINGS

| | Overall | MEC |
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| LeBlond | 9-1-2 | 2-0 |
| Savannah | 6-2 | 2-0 |
| Smithville | 3-2-2 | 2-0 |
| MARYVILLE | 7-2-2 | 1-1 |
| Cameron | 7-2 | 1-1 |
| Benton | 6-3 | 1-2 |
| Lafayette | 4-3 | 0-2 |
| Chillicothe | 1-5 | 0-3 |

**September 20:**
MARYVILLE at Cameron
Lafayette at Chillicothe

**September 24:**
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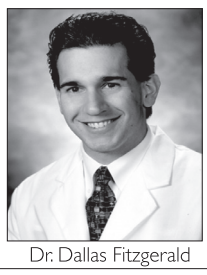

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**Senior linebacker Ridge Yount comes up with an interception against Chillicothe Sept. 7. Maryville came away with a 49-7 win.**

# Webb, Leslie say team still focused on game at hand

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After yet another dominant performance on Sept. 14 at Bishop LeBlond, the Maryville football team is looking for ways to keep improving.

The Spoofhounds took on a Golden Eagles team that was 3-0 at the time but quickly took that contest over, eventually winning 56-7.

The 'Hounds displayed strong defense in their first four games, allowing just 21 total points so far.

Maryville plays Cameron at 7 p.m. Friday night at home. The Dragons are 0-4, including conference losses to LeBlond and Chillicothe.

Head coach Matt Webb said his players are focused on the task at hand.

"It's just the next week in our schedule," Webb said. "It doesn't matter who we're playing, we've got standards and the process that we work every week. Cameron is the team that's next on our schedule. We're going to prepare ourselves like it's any other opponent and go get it."

Webb said this game is another opportunity for the Spoofhounds to grow and improve.

"The challenge as a coach is every week to find ways to improve your football team," Webb said. "Good teams improve throughout the year. I think we've shown steady improvement in different areas throughout the season. That's what we gotta do.

"There's things that we didn't do well against LeBlond. Regardless of the score, there's things in our pass defense we need to improve on. There's things in our special teams we can always get better on. You never know what the next week is gonna hold. That's why it's fun to play Friday nights because any given night anybody can beat anybody."

Senior wide receiver Kyle Leslie said one of the specific things the 'Hounds are looking to improve on comes on the offensive side of the ball.

"We're going to try to clean up our passing game this week I think," Leslie said. "Try to get more confident and clean some things up that need to be cleaned up."

Webb said that his team is not looking past Cameron at all, although Cameron does not have a win on its record.

Leslie said his teammates expect to take care of business Friday.

"We expect to go down there and get a win and move on to the next week," Leslie said.

# Golf hits back end of season

**TYLER SHAW**
Missourian Reporter

The Maryville girls' golf team is getting set for a busy couple of weeks.

Head coach Brenda Ricks feels very confident that her team will fare well.

With eight schools in the conference, Ricks thinks the Spoofhounds just may be the team to beat.

In the upcoming week Maryville has three tournaments, including one on its home course at Mozingo.

The 'Hounds will then hit the road to play at the Chillicothe Girls Invitational Thursday before coming home to compete in the Midland Empire Conference Tournament.

The Spoofhounds played in their own Maryville Invitational Wednesday night.

Results were unavailable as of press time.

Having home field advantage for the conference tournament may also play a factor in the success of the team.

"Our girls have practiced very well out at Mozingo and I'm sure the girls will be ready for the conference tournament," Ricks said.

Ricks' confidence in her team gives her the satisfaction that they will be ready.

"Our team is one of the favorites to win the MEC and they are amongst the top schools going into the tournament next week," Ricks said.

The Spoofhounds teed off at 9 a.m. Thursday morning in Chillicothe.

# Volleyball gets big win, heads into stretch of conference play

**CRAIG SIMS**
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The Spoofhounds last played Cameron in the Higginsville Tournament, winning both games against the Dragons in close fashion.

"With this being a conference game, I know Cameron will be fired up and ready to play," head coach Lori Klaus said. "I think it's going to be a good match."

Cameron (7-2, 1-1 MEC) lost its last game facing conference opponent Savannah.

"We have to be aggressive and play good defense, along with finding the open spots," Klaus said. "Cameron seems more like a defensive team and play scrappy. They never let the ball hit the floor, and they hustle really hard. I would say they are comparable to us."

Thursday's game against the Dragons begins at 5 p.m. in Cameron.

The Spoofhounds have won their last three games at home, those being against Benton and Lafayette last week, followed up by a strong performance against Derrick Thomas Academy Tuesday night.

Facing Derrick Thomas Academy, the 'Hounds controlled both sets, winning both 25-1.

Senior setter Alyssa Stiens led the 'Hounds with 16 aces and seven assists.

Junior hitter Chelsea Byland added five aces and two kills.

Senior libero Jessica Stiens chipped in eight aces.

Following Thursday's match against Cameron, Maryville (7-2-2, 1-1 MEC) finds itself on the road facing Lafayette at 5 p.m. Sept. 25.

# ATHLETES of the WEEK

## Bearcats

### Collin DeBuysere

Senior linebacker Collin DeBuysere finished Saturday's contest with six tackles, two quarterback hurries and his first career interception. Northwest defeated Fort Hays 48-10.

### Tori Von Mende

Junior forward Tori Von Mende finished Saturday's game in a flurry, scoring three goals in the second half to lead Northwest to a comeback 3-2 victory against Lindenwood.

## Spoofhounds

### Derek Stiens

Senior running back Derek Stiens led the way for the Spoofhounds on the ground, carrying the ball 16 times for 115 yards and two touchdowns in a 56-7 victory over Bishop LeBlond.

### Alyssa Stiens

Senior setter Alyssa Stiens finished Tuesday's victory against Derrick Thomas Academy with 16 aces and seven assists. Maryville beat Derrick Thomas Academy 25-1 both sets.

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# Soccer plans to strike early in competition

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Following a win and a loss last weekend, Northwest soccer looks to jump over .500 in conference play when it travels to St. Joseph Friday.

The Bearcats began MIAA play with a 3-2 victory at Lindenwood Friday behind great play from junior forward Tori Von Mende.

Trailing 2-0 at halftime, Von Mende netted three second-half goals for her first career hat-trick as a Bearcat.

"We had a good talk at the half, and I felt very composed and focused going into the second half," Von Mende said. "I wasn't frantic whenever the ball came to me. I couldn't have done it without good passing and support from my teammates."

Northwest also trailed at Truman State 2-0 at the half in its second MIAA matchup Sunday, but was shutout by a tough Bulldogs team 3-0.

With the win, Truman State increased its season record to 5-1.

The Bearcats will play their third straight road game when they take on MIAA opponent Missouri Western.

Northwest will look to improve on the offense by playing smart and maintaining possession, head coach Tracy Hoza said.

> "We need to constantly attack them and keep the ball on the ground. It's crucial we deny their attack and keeping them on their heels."
>
> Tracy Hoza

"When we take control of the ball we need to hold onto it with more combo plays and quick support," Hoza said. "We need to constantly attack them and keep the ball on the ground. We're anticipating a tight, physical game."

The 'Cats don't mind comeback victories but intend to strike early behind calmer nerves.

"We don't get down on ourselves if we're down at the half, but it'd be nice not having to worry about it in the locker room," Von Mende said. "We just need to come out of the gates playing relaxed and playing our game."

The Bearcats are now 3-2-1 on the season and 1-1 in MIAA play. They play at 7 p.m. Friday in St. Joseph.

# Volleyball riding conference streak

**CRAIG SIMS**
Chief Sports Reporter | @NWMSports

The Northwest volleyball team is not only riding a winning streak, it is doing it while playing all conference opponents.

After defeating Missouri Western last Tuesday to start their conference season, the 'Cats earned convincing wins over Lindenwood and Missouri Southern this past weekend, both in 3-0 fashion to keep their hot streak alive at three games.

With a record of 7-4, 3-0 in the MIAA, Northwest head coach Amy Phelps says that her team has a strength of putting pressure on its serve-receive that keeps them out of its opponent's system.

"The team has stayed pretty poised even though they are young," Phelps said. "They have been challenged, and sometimes they challenge themselves. I feel like their hard work and focus of doing the game plan is just giving them more confidence to go against someone like Fort Hays that will challenge us."

The Bearcats faced conference opponent Fort Hays Wednesday night.

Stats were not available as of press time.

The 'Cats continue their season with two more home matches against Washburn and Southwest Baptist before they hit the road to Kirksville, Mo., to take on Truman.

Washburn is currently undefeated with a record of 10-0 and is ranked fifth in the nation.

"Washburn plays at a high level," Phelps said. Postseason has helped them, and they are able to take pressure regardless of what it is. We have to find a way to have our system beat their system.

"We have to capitalize on anything they give us. If they give us a free ball, we have to convert that ball to a kill. Those small games within a game has to be where we continue to improve on."

Northwest hosts Washburn at 7 p.m. Sept. 25, followed by the game against Southwest Baptist at 7 p.m. Sept. 28.

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**Senior outside hitter Kelsey Larson going for the kill against Missouri Southern Saturday. Northwest swept Lindenwood and Missouri Southern over the weekend.**

# Tennis prepares for competitive regional tournament in Springfield

**ELI WELLMAN**
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The Northwest women's tennis team had a great showing at the Truman Invitational this past Saturday.

"Overall we played very well, and I'm happy with the team's showing," coach Mark Roswell said.

Junior Camilia Quesada took first place in the first and second combined flight. She had four wins and no losses.

Junior Alexis Bartek got third place with three wins and one loss. Sophomore Stephanie Mannix was third in the third and fourth combined flight.

In the fifth and sixth flights, senior Emily Hoffman earned first place. Freshman Logan Taylor also competed in the flight. She had three wins and one loss.

Quesada and Bartek also competed as a doubles team. They came away with a win for the Bearcats.

The Bearcats will compete in the ITA Regional Tournament Sept. 21 in Springfield. Rosewell looks forward to the competition.

"Southwest Baptist, Northeastern Oklahoma and Central Oklahoma are probably the biggest competition at this tournament," Rosewell said. "It's a really tough tournament, and I look forward to see how we stack up against the competition. The winners of the tournament will go on to nationals, so it's a pretty big day."

Three conferences will be competing in the tournament with a total of twelve teams on the women's side. The Great American Conference, the MIAA and the Northern Sun Conferences will send teams.

Play begins at 8 a.m. Friday in Springfield and will continue through Sunday.


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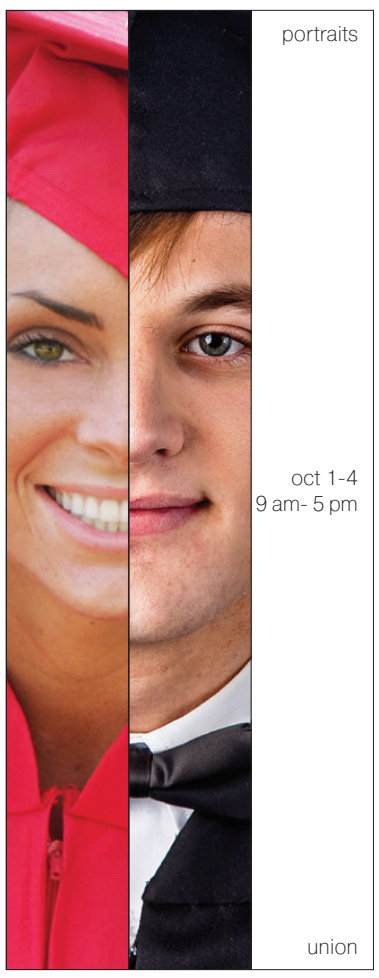


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**Sophomore Steph Charteris, junior Cassie Lowell, junior Kristina D'Angela and senior Tess Edwards tee off at practice in preparation for the Ottawa Invitational.**

## Northwest golfers setting a new standard for athletic programs taking on higher competition

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When a program is in its youth at the college level, expectations are typically low, and a great deal of patience and persistence is required. Going widely unknown to prospects hinders recruiting and delays success. It takes several years to establish building blocks on what is usually a makeshift foundation.

The Bearcat football program is a good example of the difficulties of upgrading a program to a higher level of competition. In 1957 Northwest football advanced from NAIA to Division II, managing a winning percentage of .325 (14-43) in its first seven seasons.

The Northwest women's golf team bypassed these sentiments at an alarming rate. It has shown persistence, but was unwilling to wait to find success.

It has only taken six years for Pat McLaughlin's team to transition from club team to MIAA contender, and the team's success has brought on some hefty goals for the 2012 season. Not only do the 'Cats plan to win the MIAA Championships, they have ambitions to be the team to beat in the entire central region.

In 2007, the Bearcats' first year competing at the Division II level, the objective was simply a matter of assembling a team to compete at the varsity level. While other area programs had already developed a steady recruiting process, McLaughlin was contending with volunteer athletes.

"It was nearly impossible to recruit quality players because they didn't know about the program," McLaughlin said. "I had to compete with the girls I had so we could make a name for ourselves and evolve as a program."

And they were competitive, finishing second in the inaugural Bearcat Invitational while winning two tournaments later in the year.

And they did make a name for themselves, all the way north of the Canadian border.

McLaughlin's last three recruiting classes have been stellar, extending his recruiting pipeline to Ontario and discovering standout sophomore Steph Charteris and junior Kristina D'Angela.

Just as Charteris and D'Angela have helped Northwest golf emerge as a program to be dealt with, the golf team

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## Bearcats prepare to face high intensity opponent

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A game of high emotions handed Northwest a lot of trouble and its first loss earlier this season, and the Bearcats face a similar situation Saturday.

The 'Cats travel to Nebraska-Kearney to face the Lopers, who enter Saturday with an 0-3 record.

The high emotion comes in the fact that Nebraska-Kearney's homecoming is Saturday.

"It's been my experience with being a college football coach everywhere I've been, and I've been at four institutions, that homecoming is a big deal," Dorrel said. "I think it's something you talk about, not to distract your kids from what you need to accomplish, but they need to know what they're going into. The crowds are going to be bigger; they're going to be louder. I just always kinda put it back on our kids like, 'think about your emotions, think about how you play when it's homecoming here.'"

Last weekend against Fort Hays State, junior quarterback Trevor Adams was unable to

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LORI FRANKENFIELD | NW MISSOURIAN

**Senior running back Jordan Simmons leaps into the end zone to score a touchdown on Saturday at Bearcat Stadium.**

## Jayhawks, Tigers head down two different paths

**DALTON VITT**
Online Editor

The Kansas Jayhawks and Missouri Tigers are on two completely different paths right now. One team is rising to the occasion, the other, sinking. Even more.

Surprisingly, (not really) KU is 1-2 with losses to Rice and TCU.

As a Jayhawk fan, I didn't exactly come into the season with high hopes. But they should have beat Rice. I mean, it's Rice.

As far as the TCU game, I was happily surprised with how that game turned out.

Playing against the No. 15 team in the country and coming away with just a two touchdown deficit is like a Super Bowl victory for me. And trust me, I know that sounds bad, but it's the little things.

Charlie Weis has done a good job without much to work with so far, but bringing over a former top quarterback prospect didn't hurt him.

Kansas just might lose out the rest of its schedule, but it has three games that could be won: at Northern Illinois, at Texas Tech and at home against Iowa State.

As far as that other team on this

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## Athlete drug testing policy promotes education

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A new drug policy for Northwest athletes has been implemented, and it involves much more than just the testing of athletes themselves.

Rather, the key to the new policy set by the Northwest Board of Regents last Thursday revolves around educating athletes about drug use and how to get treatment.

"We feel like we owe it to our student athletes to provide some guidance and education in areas other than sports," Athletic Director Wren Baker said.

"We are aware that, nationally, drug abuse is on the rise, and we looked at national trends in intercollegiate athletics. We haven't done any studies here, but we felt like an institutional drug education program would be a good step. We built this program with that in mind, that we want to help young people, help them make good choices and educate them on the dangers of drug use and abuse."

Baker says the program will be implemented this fall once they find a vendor to do the testing.

The testing will be performed randomly, with the vendor generating the random samples.

"What you don't want is athletes feeling like the test isn't random, so the way we will do it, there will be no way to compromise the random," Baker said.

The vendor will collect the test samples and notify the University if an athlete tested positive, but not even they will know athletes' names.

Instead, for confidentiality issues, each player at the University will be given a number by the vendors.

Another side to the drug testing involves the case of "reasonable suspicion" where if a student athlete has had a current or previous drug-related charge, there can be a test done.

"If they have erratic behavior, suddenly dropping or gaining a lot of weight, missing class or severe mood swings, there is a four-person committee that would vote and could approve conducting a reasonable suspicion test."

Baker says that confidentially has been emphasized, where no one from athletics can come out and say that there has been a drug issue with any of the athletes who are brought into the treatment program.

There is a three-strike policy for those that test positive.

For the first offense, athletes have to do 20 community service hours and be enrolled into a treatment program.

For a second offense, the community service hours double to 40, and the athlete has to miss 10 percent of his games.

The third offense will see an indefinite suspension.

Baker says that coaches have the right to their own policies and procedures, where they have the right to suspend a player after his first offense.

"I wouldn't tell a coach that they couldn't do that, they have their own set of team rules," Baker said.

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